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TO AMEMBASSY KINSHASA PRIORITY

INFO AMEMBASSY BRUSSELS PRIORITY

AMEMBASSY ALGIERS

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E.O. 11652; N/A

TAGS: CVIS, ACOM, US, CG

SUBJECT: TRAVEL OF ITT REP

REF: STATE 181688 (NOTAL)

1. ANTHONY JOSEPH BASILE, ITT SPACE COMMUNICATIONS MANAGER, IS ATTEMPTING TO SECURE VISA FOR ZAIRE. HE IS CURRENTLY IN BRUSSELS, HAVING LEFT ALGIERS ON AUGUST 9. PREVIOUS CABLES BETWEEN DEPT, KINSHASA AND ALGIERS PLUS EFFORTS OF LOCAL ZAIRE ITT REP HAVE NOT RESULTED IN BASILE RECEIVING THE VISA. BASILE WAS TOLD BY THE ZAIRE CONSULATE IN ALGIERS THAT HIS VISA WOULD BE ISSUED FROM GOZ IN KINSHASA THROUGH ITS EMBASSY IN BRUSSELS. BASILE IS WILLING TO WAIT IN BRUSSELS UNTIL AUGUST 13 OR 14 TO SEE IF A VISA WILL BE ISSUED. IF ONE IS NOT ISSUED BY THEN HE WILL RETURN TO THE STATES. SINCE HE WAS TO INVESTIGATE ITT COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT IN ZAIRE AND POSSIBLY DISCUSS FURTHER TRAINING PROGRAMS WITH GOZ, DEPT IS INTERESTED IN ASSISTING HIM 'HERE FEASIBLE.

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2. REQUEST THAT YOU FOLLOW UP WITH FOREIGN OFFICE TO

SEE IF VISA CAN BE GRANTED. CONSIDERING THE FACT THAT
BASILE IS TO EXPLORE ABOVE MENTIONED QUESTIONS AND THAT

PRESIDENT MOBUTU EXPRESSED PERSONAL INTEREST IN ITT
COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT PROBLEMS, IT SEEMS THAT THE
FOREIGN OFFICE SHOULD BE INTERESTED IN ISSUING THE
VISA.

3. FOR BRUSSELS. BASILE WILL PROBABLY STOP BY CONSULAR
OR E/C SECTION TO SEE IF THERE IS ANY WORD FROM KINSHASA.
PLEASE ASSIST. SISCO

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